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Re:

Department of Community Affairs, Sandy Recovery Division v. Laurie Fox

OAL Docket No. CAF 12904-16

Dear Parties:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Final Decision in the matter referenced above. Should you wish to appeal from this Decision, you have the right to take an appeal with the Appellate Division of the Superior Court [Rules Governing the Courts of New Jersey, 2:2-3(a)(2)]. You must do so, however, within 45 days from the date of service of this Decision.

Sincerely,

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Director of Policy

Enclosure



STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. CAF 12904-16 AGENCY DKT. NOs. RSP 0015566 AND RRE 0015579

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, SANDY RECOVERY DIVISION,

Petitioner,

 \mathbf{v} .

LAURIE FOX,

Respondent.

Having reviewed the Initial Decision of the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) in this matter, together with any exceptions or replies submitted, I hereby adopt the Initial Decision as my Final Agency Decision, with the following modification.

I agree with the ALJ's ultimate conclusion that, following the remand, Respondent has now shown sufficient objective evidence that the damaged property in Forked River was her primary residence at the time of Superstorm Sandy. However, the ALJ also stated in his Conclusion that he found that Respondent's "subjective intention" was that the Forked River property was her primary residence. I note that the programs at issue do not allow an applicant's subjective intent to be considered as proof of primary residence, and thus my Final Decision does not incorporate that analysis.

Date: 12/15/17

CHARLES A. RICHMAN

Commissioner